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## THE POSITION IN PEKING.

## YUAN SHI-KAI IN THE ASCENDANCY.

Writing from Peking on the 17th November, the correspondent of the *N. C. D. News* states:—Rumours concerning the ill health both of the late Emperor and of the late Empress Dowager had been current in Peking for some time, but at late as Monday evening last, prominent Europeans here were assured that reports were exaggerated. The news of the Emperor's death came on Saturday last, and, by evening, was very generally credited. It was not, however, till the following day that the fact was placed beyond question. Within less than twenty-four hours, came the news that the Empress Dowager had also passed away. Thus, with a suddenness which has taken everybody by surprise, the great moment which Europeans have long been anticipating, has arrived. The streets present a curious study. Whilst there is not the slightest indication of disorder or excitement, there is a certain degree of unusual animation, and a vague suggestion of tragedy, due in part to one's own realisation of what has taken place, in part to public and private mourning. All yesterday, there was a perpetual stream of carriages driving to and from the Imperial Palace, surrounded by clattering body-guards slightly in excess of the usual number, and, at various street corners and crossings, such as those formed by the junction of the Tung-hua Men Ta Chieh and the Cain-jih Hu-tung with Morrison street, or in front of proclamations posted on walls and doors, hung dissolving and re-gathering groups of Chinese. The vivid colouring of Peking, its reds, vermillions, yellows and blues, has darkened, and paled, into black and white. The effect, even in this wonderful sunshine, is surprisingly sombre. Two views are taken, by Europeans, of THE PRESENT SITUATION.

They differ astonishingly. The view of the principal newspaper correspondent, and, to a certain extent, therefore, that of the various Legations is, in the first place, that there is nothing suspicious in the events of the last few days, and, in the second, that even if there is, it is not worth prosecution. That is to say, expert opinion takes an essentially quietist view of the whole affair. It is held that if anything has been "managed" it is being "managed" in the best possible way, while, if the almost simultaneous death of the late Emperor and Empress Dowager is a coincidence, the best possible measures are being taken to avoid any unfortunate or disturbing results. It is held, further, that, so far as Peking is concerned, disturbances are extremely improbable and that, in the Provinces, nothing is likely to happen of sufficient importance to arouse any serious anxiety.

H. E. YUAN SHI-KAI is regarded as the most powerful man in Peking and, consequently, his influence is reckoned as being on the side of the *status quo*. The second view is that of men who, while they cannot be called experts, have lived in China for many years, are thoroughly conversant with its language, and in touch with a class of Chinese who represent what I may, perhaps, call "middle-class street opinion." These consider the sudden death of both Emperor and Empress Dowager extremely suspicious, and, consequently, regard the situation with something which must be called anxiety, since it falls short of equanimity. So far from regarding any "management" that there may have been as unworthy speculation, their persistent question is "who is behind all this?" for, on the answer to that question, depend, they think, the probabilities of peace or trouble.

In contrasting these two views, I would point out that THE THEORY OF "MANAGEMENT" does not rest entirely on distrust of convenient coincidence. It rests also on a comparison of the Edict issued on the 21st of the Chinese moon, and the one which followed it on the next day. The former announced the death of the Emperor, and appointed Prince Chun, Regent with powers limited by the "advice" of the Empress Dowager. The latter declared that since the Empress Dowager was exceedingly ill, her "advice" was to be dispensed with. It does not seem to me altogether unreasonable to place upon this, somewhat sudden, alteration of the situation, that, as a matter of fact, the Empress Dowager was already dead, and that, consequently, Imperial Edicts, at the present juncture, require to be read between the lines. Moreover, to arrive at a just appreciation of the situation, it has to be remembered that considerable ignorance prevails, even in the best informed circles, in regard to its most important factor, namely, the relations of Yuan Shi-kai and Prince Chun. It is said by some that the relations are friendly, by others that they are not. Until such contradiction and doubt disappear, there seems to be room for a certain anxiety.

## THE CHINA CRISIS AND TRADE.

It is generally feared that the death of the Emperor of China will seriously affect Japan's trade. In an interview with a representative of the *Osaka Asahi*, Mr. Iida, manager of the Osaka branch of the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, after remarking that the news of the death of the Emperor had been followed by that of the Empress Dowager, said that there was little doubt that these events had a great bearing on Japan's trade with China, but he could not show the fear generally entertained regarding their effect on trade. It was supposed, continued Mr. Iida, that the death of the Emperor took place when the Empress Dowager had already sunk into a precarious condition, and hastened the end of the latter. Thanks to the promptitude of a few officials, who were able to prevent the Princes of the Imperial family and high officials from disputing the choice of a successor to the Throne, the decision was made quickly, without affording any opportunity for intrigue, and commotion among the people was checked. This prompt action on the part of the Chinese officials would be of much advantage to the trade with

China. For the present no serious disturbance would break out as a result of recent events. The outlook of the trade with China need not be regarded with any particular pessimism. In the event of a domestic disturbance breaking out, of discord occurring among the Chinese high officials, or of the revolutionists rising, the sufferers would be British, German, Japanese, and American merchants. The Boxer disturbance in 1900 dealt an almost fatal blow at the cotton-spinners of Japan. The recollection of the calamity in 1900 led him to hope sincerely that the disaster should not be repeated, and he was confident of the outlook.—*Japan Chronicle*.

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## DEATH.

On November 24, 1908, at Amoy, ANNIE LUCY, the wife of the Rev. Frank P. Josland, of the London Mission, aged 45 years.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1908.

## WANCHAI'S BEAUTY CURE.

Wanchai has a wonderful reputation for producing effects which are calculated to interest and amuse the rest of the community. Perhaps there are some people who, in the hurry-burry, have not observed this characteristic of the district which embraces the racecourse and a few other centres of interest; but it is not significant that the police authorities invariably place in charge of the district an inspector whose nerves and practical nature cannot be moved a single volt, even if all the hobgoblins and spirits (to the nother regions were to make their bow before him? Take for instance Inspector Fenwick, who is of course a dour old Scot, does any joker think that he could be roused out of his normal calm? It is quite on the cards that he would arrest Mephistopheles himself and then give him a sound thrashing for trying to spit fire and brimstone. As a matter of fact, it needs a man of plain, sane and humorous ideas to tackle such a mischievous district as Wanchai. We have said that the people there are always affording sport for the benefit of the "slow" and live in other parts of the city. It

was only the other day that a battle-royal took place between a coolie and a ram-goat, the honours resting with the goat. Then there was the burglar who on the verge of being captured, flung all the available garments into the street and dived after them from the top of a three-story house. The Wanchai people gossamerly said—"What were the clothes worth?" Other people asked—"Was the burglar killed?" Again when a gambling raid was made on some house "boys" living in the locality in question a sergeant of police remained on guard on the footpath. Three of the gamblers made a rush for the window when the bluecoats appeared and one after another fell head first on the cranium of the hard-headed Scot on duty. Incidentally only Scotsmen are sent to patrol Wanchai, because they are less liable to imaginative flights than the Celts from the "distressful country". The three gamblers thought they had made mincemeat of the sergeant and were only convinced of their error when paraded in front of the general inspector. Then, again, nobody can forget the wails that have periodically proceeded from Wanchai and East Point on the scarcity of water. One would think that Wanchai was a sort of Sahara, where water brought a fabulous price. First they wanted water for their coffee; then they wanted water to drink as if they were camels or hippopotami; having got all these things, they demanded water for their streets, just because they couldn't feel happy unless they had water perpetually under their noses. When a water main burst in Wanchai it is rumoured that the entire neighbourhood turns out on mass to view the spectacle, and bewail the loss of the good fluid while the children fill themselves up at the streams until they can hardly stand. That is known as the water cure and much money is thereby saved over the purchase of castor oil and black draught. Now, it seems, the grumblers at the East End actually want water to wash themselves in. At least that is the only moral which can be drawn from the story related in the Police Court yesterday by the poor old woman, aged 64, who admitted that she had gone unwashed for the last six years, and was now determined to do penance in this way for the remainder of her life. Her Wash-up on the beach was particularly generous to the old lady, who loyally stood by the traditions of Wanchai and Morrison Hill. It was a pathetic story she had to tell and it must have gone to the heart of every reader who has the slightest modicum of sympathy in his nature. Remember, we all have had a mother, and how should we lie comfortably in bed if we knew that she couldn't get water in which to wash herself, even her face? This old woman, of 64 years, discovered when she was only 58 that water was scarce in Hongkong, scarcer than lemonade and other decoctions. So rather than despoil her neighbours she generously withdrew from the fierce competition which rages daily at Wanchai when the water-taps begin to run. In her eagerness to benefit society she forgot that her beauty was liable to suffer and it was not until her admirers withdrew one after another, hid behind barrels when she approached and crawled under the wharf when her dainty and lissom figure blotted out the horizon, that she realised the sad truth. Her selfishness had been her undoing. No longer were the beaux of Wanchai chasing her with sealed proposals of immediate marriage; no longer was her life made a burden by the assembly and disgraceful brawl which occurred between rival Lotharios outside her cabin door; no longer was she "the cytherea of all eyes." Her beauty had gone when the first accumulation of Wanchai mud spread itself over her fair and lovely countenance, and it dimples which hypnotised the susceptible youth of the prays and the gap had taken a long last look at the world and disappeared. It is a touching tale, for there can be no question about it that if this Spartan lady had decided to forego her resolution she might even then, when she first made the overwhelming discovery that she was reaching the peak stage at railway speed, have brought to her knees those errant wooers, who still pinned their faith to water. But resolute in her self-abnegation she stuck by her principles and sacrificed herself on the altar of pure aqua. When the police brutally suggested that she should indulge in a bath she nearly fainted, and flopped violently into the arms of a lokong, who afterwards demanded, under threat of instant resignation, that he should be fumigated. Such is man's inhumanity to woman. Is there not a beautiful and definite finality about her answer—a dour old perfectly childlike—to the question why she would not wash herself? "What is the good of me washing myself when I can't get a husband?" Yet was that the real reason, think you? Not a bit of it. She was resolved that so far as she was concerned the good and worthy citizens of Wanchai should not be robbed of their full daily supply, and so she voluntarily offered herself as a victim of circumstances.

CAPTAIN John A. Dougherty with Mrs. Dougherty are at the Hongkong Hotel. They sail on Saturday for Tokyo where Captain Dougherty is Naval Attaché to the American Legation at Tokyo and Peking.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

MANILA reports officially under date of Nov. 25: "Past week cholera four cases only."

We are asked to request the audience attending the performances of "A Country Girl" to be in their seats before 9 o'clock, as late arrivals tend to disturb other people.

As a mark of respect for the anniversary of H. M. Queen Alexandra's 64th birthday, the warships in harbour were dressed to-day and a salute of twenty-one fired at noon.

A STUDENT, by name Chan Yan Ling, was accused of assaulting his grandfather in the Police Court, this forenoon. No evidence was taken, and the case was adjourned.

THE death is announced at San Sebastian of Mr. Manjito Inagaki, Japanese Envoy Extraordinary, and Minister Plenipotentiary to the Courts of Spain and Portugal.

We are informed by the Agents (Messengers Maritimes Co.) that the cargo of silk shipped on board the *Caledonian* which left this port on the 27th October was delivered in Lyons on the 30th November.

THE Regent and the members of the Grand Council were simultaneously received, in audience by the Empress Dowager (widow of the late Emperor Kuang Hsi) on the morning of the 24th ultimo. The proceedings are kept secret.

THE Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd., announce that the total output of the Company's three mines for the week ending November 14 amounted to 22,479.75 tons and the sales during the same period to 21,141.00 tons.

SIR Alexander Hosie, H. M. Commercial Attaché in Peking, arrived in Shanghai on Thursday. Before the opening of the International Opium Conference to which Sir A. Hosie is one of the British delegates he will spend a short time in Hongkong.

DR. Even Hedin was received in audience on 26th ult. by the Emperor of Japan, who conferred upon him the First Class of the Order of the Sacred Treasure. The famous explorer left Tokyo the same evening for Kyoto where he will remain for a week.

AN operator of wireless telegraphy at San Francisco reports that he has overheard messages emanating, as far as he can tell, from Japan. If this is so, the distance thus covered constitutes a world's record for wireless telegraphy. The majority of the words were, however, unintelligible.

The case in which S. E. Allana, of No. 38, Queen's Road Central, charged R. Rahim, of F. Rahim & Co., 55, Peel Street, with assault, came to a satisfactory conclusion at the Police Court this afternoon, when Mr. G. R. Morrell, who appeared for the defendant, intimated that both parties had agreed to withdraw the charge.

At a meeting of the Justices of the Peace, held at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon, the application of L. Guzman for a publican's licence to sell by retail intoxicating liquors at 212 and 214, Queen's Road Central, under the sign of the Central Hotel, was granted. Mr. E. J. Grist (of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for the applicant.

BEFORE the steamer *Courtfield* (Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co., agents) left for Australia yesterday, the skipper ordered a search to be made, which resulted in six Chinamen being found hidden in various parts of the ship. They were handed over to the Water Police, and at the Magistracy to-day were charged with being on board the vessel with the intention of reaching Sydney. They were remanded in police custody.

## TRAMCAR PARTIALLY WRECKED.

## SERIOUS COLLISION AT KENNEDY TOWN.

About \$100 damage was done to an electric tramcar at Kennedy Town yesterday in a collision with a truck. The front portion of the car was entirely carried away, and the motorman received certain injuries to his hand. The car (No. 28) would appear, was making for Kennedy Town at the time. A few paces in front was a loaded truck in charge of a number of coolies. At a certain point the truck suddenly swerved round, and before the emergency brake could be put on the car ran into the truck with the results mentioned above. Seeing the predicament in which they were placed the coolies, as is the usual case, bolted. The head truckman was, however, caught. He explained that the collision was due to no fault of his. At the moment, he explained, that the tramcar was about to pass them one of the wheels of the truck sank into a deep rut in the road and the sudden jar caused the truck to swerve round into the tram's way, causing the accident. The truckman (Chan Kam) was charged in the Police Court, this morning, with obstructing a tramcar, thereby endangering the lives of the passengers therein and with doing damage to the car. Mr. A. Courie, traffic superintendent of the Tramway Company, prosecuted, and the case was remanded.

## YAU-M-TI HOUSES COLLAPSE.

## QUESTION BEFORE THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai has given notice of the following question which he will put at the meeting of the Legislative Council on Thursday, the 3rd inst.: "Will the Honourable the Attorney General state whether he has any objection to give the reasons which governed him in not filing an indictment for manslaughter at the last sessions in the Portland Street building collapse case?"

## St. Andrew's Ball.

## LAST NIGHT'S FESTIVITIES.

## OVER A THOUSAND GUESTS INVITED.

What is unquestionably the chief social event of the year—St. Andrew's Ball—was celebrated last night at the City Hall by sons and daughters of Scotland and their fortunate guests who must have reached considerably beyond the thousand figure mark. In attempting to give a description of the great annual function, we would rather not use the hackneyed and conventional phrases usually employed in describing great social events such as that which took place last night, but we are going to do just what the sages enjoined all wise people not to do—we will boldly step where angels fear to tread. It will be admitted that it is not easy by the use of mere words to convey to the reader's mind half the hilarious merriment which one and all must have necessarily felt at the joyful gathering where the "upper ten" did not consider it beneath their dignity to intermix with the proletariat. The general conviviality and the spontaneity of good fellowship seemed to pervade the whole place, and was perhaps augmented by the absence of any "side." When a huge gathering comes from the four corners of Hongkong, as it were, determined to thoroughly enjoy themselves, all sordid thoughts are relegated into the limbo of forgotten things, and this was exactly the case last night, and none who returned home after the Ball could have failed to say to his conscience: "I've had a right good time." When the St. Andrew's Society saw the light in Hongkong some sixty-one years ago, it could hardly have entered the minds of the few bolder spirits, to whose venturesome efforts the existence of the Society is due, that the then humble little Society would attain the importance which it now enjoys. That such is the case, everybody is aware, and we venture to state that it will hold that importance as long as the British flag flies over this sea-girt island possession of Great Britain.

Shortly before nine, the guests began to arrive by twos and threes. The Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G., President of the Society, met H.E. the Governor, at the entrance along with the other members of the General Committee, some of whom were attired in all the glorious picturesque of the Highland plaid and sporran. His Excellency was then piped to St. Andrew's Hall, the Band of the Buffs striking up the National Anthem as soon as the ball-room was reached. The Ball was officially opened by the dancing of the Lancers. The official set was composed as follows: His Excellency the Governor and Mrs. Chatham; Honourable Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G., President, and Mrs. Lyon; H.E. the Hon. Sir Hedworth Lamont, K.C.V.O., K.C.B., and Mrs. Smith; Mr. J. R. M. Smith, and Mrs. May; Mr. T. F. Hough and Mrs. Gresson; H.E. Major-General R. G. Broadwood, C.B.; and Mrs. Peter; Commodore Herbert Lyon and Mrs. MacKay; Mr. Murray Stewart and Mrs. Ormiston.

On the completion of the 8th dance the President's supper party adjourned to the Theatre, the party being piped from St. George's Hall into the supper room by Mr. H. G. C. Bailey. During supper, the Chief toast proposed the toast of "The King," which, having been honoured, was immediately followed by a second: "The Pious Memory of St. Andrew." In proposing the latter toast, the proud Chief, on whom every eye was centred, said:—Your Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen—It is my privilege to welcome you here to-night on the occasion of our great Scottish Festival. Scotsmen in all parts of the world are celebrating St. Andrew's Day, and keeping alive in an unaggressive way that national spirit which plays so important a part in all matters, social and otherwise. Scotsmen have ever played an important part in local affairs and our gathering here to-night is a proof that our Society maintains its vigour and that its members continue to be a power in the Colony. (Applause). There is a prevalent idea abroad that Scotsmen are somewhat parsimonious but anyone who is acquainted with the real Scottish character will I venture to say, contradict this. I will tell you a small anecdote which illustrates the true Scottish character. A clergyman, visiting a parishioner in humble circumstances asked for a drink of water and was offered a glass of milk. He demurred to drinking it, as he thought the woman could not afford it, but she speedily reassured him by saying "Drink it up, minister, drink it up. The soo just gets it anyway." (Laughter). We Scotsmen in Hongkong merely emulate the example of our humble countrywoman in entertaining you here to-night, but I presume it is unnecessary for me to repeat her kindly words of encouragement. In the ordinary course of events, we must fall aside but I feel sure I am echoing the wish of all members when I say:—Long may our St. Andrew's Society continue to flourish and may its members ever be able to say in the words of the poet "I'm proud to think that I'm a Scotsman born." (Applause).

The toast having been drunk in silence, the old-time ceremony of bringing in the haggis was watched with keen interest. The haggis was played in by Mr. Bailey and placed before the Chief toast by Mr. James Walker. The Chief toast then gave the carrier of the haggis and the "Barley Bree" a dram from the quack. He then himself partook of the quack and offered a dram to his chief gentleman guests. The Scot who carried in the whisky supplied each gentleman guest with a dram, after which, the interesting ceremony concluded, the whole being reminiscent of Scott's beautiful lines: "Broach ye a pipe of Malvoisie, bring pastries of the doe, The pipers played behind the curtain and the President read his own and Hongkong Scots telegrams to British Scots of Glasgow, Edinburgh, Manilla, Fochow, Wei-hai-wei, Penang, Amoy, Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Nagasaki in the following order:—Chief

## Chatham and Hongkong Scots great Brither.

## "Scots."

The following replies were also read:—G. Q. Anderson, past president of the Society, to Hon. W. Chatham, C.M.G., President of Hongkong St. Andrew's Society—Hall to the Chief toast, Scotland for ever. From Yokohama: "Chief: McLaren and Brither Scots send greetings. Tall, Secretary." From Wei-hai-wei: "Hearty greetings from Brither Scots at Wei-hai-wei. Lockhart, President."

From Shanghai: "President, St. Andrew's Society, Hongkong. Chief Smart and Brither Scots heartily reciprocate greetings."

From Fochow: "President, St. Andrew's Society, Hongkong—Fochow Brither Scots heartily reciprocate kindly greetings; Rennie."

From Manilla: "President St. Andrew's Society, Hongkong. Chief Underwood and Brither Scots send greetings. Alex. Yuill, Secretary."

From Singapore: "President, St. Andrew's Society, Hongkong. Greetings from Singapore Brither Scots."

From Penang: "President St. Andrew's Society, Hongkong. Greetings from Brither Scots."

The highest praise is due to the excellent string band of the newly-arrived Buffs and to the Indian pipers, who so ably supplied the music for the Highland reels.

## AFTER THE BALL.

## A REVELLER'S STRANGE EXPERIENCE.

A strange story of a sea-going gentleman's strange conduct has come to our notice. It appears that one of the stragglers who left the scene of merriment at the St. Andrew's Ball in the wee sma' hours of this morning unexpectedly found his way to No. 2 Police Station. The first person to accost his dazed vision was a *lunk*. Whether the merryman saw one, two, or three *lunks* we are not in a position to say, but we do know that the skipper asked in a happy-go-lucky sort of way: "Can ye tell me wha' I ken get a cobbler t' tak me o'er to St. Andrew?" The speaker used a broad Scotch dialect and of course it is only natural to expect that the *lunk* understood Scotch. The first thing the worthy guardian of the public peace did was to point to the water, and had it not been for the prompt arrival of Inspector Fenwick, we would probably have heard of the distance between Wanchai and Hungghom covered in record time—4 to Webb. Fortunately, nothing untoward occurred and we fancy the old salt has by this time recovered from his half-sea-sick condition.

## CAPITAL INCREASED.

## DAIRY FARM COMPANY MEETING.

Shortly after noon to-day, an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders in the Dairy Farm Company, Limited, was held. The business was to confirm special resolutions which were passed at a general meeting held on the 12th November, having reference to the increase of the company's capital.

There were present:—Mr. E. H. Hinds (chairman), Dr. J. W. Noble, Messrs. J. Walker (manager), J. M. E. Machado, Chan Tong, and S. A. Seth (secretary).

The notice convening the meeting was read by the Secretary.

Mr. Hinds proposed that the under-mentioned resolution be confirmed:—"That the capital of the company be increased by the sum of \$112,500 divided into 15,000 shares of \$7.50 each and that the directors be authorised to allot such shares *pro rata* among the existing shareholders according to the number of shares in respect of which they may, on the 27th day of October, 1908, be registered, in the proportion of three new shares for each complete lot of five shares held by them on that date, and that any of such new shares remaining over after such allotment shall be dealt with by the directors in their discretion."

This was seconded by Mr. Machado, and carried unanimously.

The second resolution submitted was:—"That the Articles of Association of the company be altered by deleting paragraph 2 of Article IX and by substituting therefor the following paragraph: 'The Register, or Registers, of shareholders and the Register of Transfers may be closed for such period or periods and at such time or times as the directors may think fit, but the periods of such closure shall not exceed in the whole 30 days in any one year.'"

The Chairman proposed its confirmation. Mr. Chan Tong seconded.

Carried unanimously.

At another meeting held some minutes later it was proposed by the Chairman:—"That the directors be authorised to declare a bonus or dividend out of the Reserve and Cattle Reserve Funds or out of the accumulated profits of the company sufficient to pay a call of \$6.00 per share upon the new capital already authorised to be raised by special resolution and that such bonus or dividend be appropriated for the purpose of paying such call."

Mr. Machado seconded.

The resolution was carried.

This was all the business of the meeting.

## MISSING LEDGERS.

## HONGKONG MERCHANT ACCUSED OF THEFT.

Stealing a firm's account books, was the charge preferred against Tam Wing Chiu, a merchant, residing at 40, Upper Lascar Row, in the Police Court, this morning. The complainants were Kwong Pak Tong and Lu Chun Wo, managers of the Tai Wo Hop Kee firm, 119, Wing Lok Street.

It was alleged from the information placed at the disposal of the magistrate (Mr. J. R. Wood) that on the 10th ult., the defendant called at the Tai Wo Hop Kee shop and asked permission to examine certain account books. He was permitted to do so, and according to the information, took the books away with him. The defendant, it was stated, was not a partner in the firm, and therefore had no right to the books. The books were found by the detective and on case was adjourned.

## Telegrams.

## "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

## PEKING.

## YOUNG EMPEROR'S ENTHRONEMENT.

[By courtesy of the "Sheng Po."] Peking, 30th November.

Telegrams were despatched by the Waiwupu to Chinese Ministers accredited to foreign countries advising that the 2nd inst. has been fixed as the date for the enthronement of the young Emperor.

H.E. Chang Chih-tung has been entrusted with the duty of drafting the Imperial Edict on the occasion of the accession of the new Emperor.

The remains of the late Empress Dowager will be removed to the Kun-tak Palace on the 9th inst. The funeral expenses are estimated to cost six million dollars.

It has been decided that the Prince Regent and his spouse should remove to and reside at Pak-hoi within the Palace.

Most of the eunuchs attached to the retinue of the late Empress Dowager are in hiding.

## THE DALAI LAMA.

## AND THE STATUS OF TIBET.

[By courtesy of the "Sheng Po."] Peking, 30th November.

The Dalai Lama is not agreeable to the change in the status of Tibet to that of a province under the administration of a Viceroy and Governor.

The President of the Ministry of the Interior has used every effort to convince the Buddhist Pontiff of the expediency of the change, but without success.

## THE POSITION IN TIBET.

Their Excellencies Lien Yu (Imperial Chinese Resident in Lhasa) and Chao K'ing (High Commissioner of Frontier Defences in Szechuan, Tibet and Yunnan) have jointly reported to the Peking Government upon the situation in Tibet. They state that nearly all the insurgents in Szechuan and other places have been dispersed, and that quietness now reigns in Tibet. They point out that the strength of the Chinese troops stationed in Tibet is very slender and request the Government to issue instructions calling upon the Viceroy of Szechuan to send reinforcements.—N. C. D. News.

## THE UNITED STATES.

## THE PHILIPPINES TARIFF QUESTION.

Washington, November 23. Mr. S. E. Payne has promised to bring up the question of free trade for the Philippines at the extra session of Congress.

## CAMPAIGN EXPENSES.

November 24. The expenses of the Republican Presidential campaign amount to \$1,555,310. President Roosevelt subscribed \$1,000; while Mr. Taft's brother, with Sitacoo, and Mr. Corbin are among the highest givers.

## NAVAL ORGANIZATION.

Washington, November 25. Mr. Henry Reuter, naval artist and expert, advises a reorganization of the navy and quotes President Roosevelt as supporting his views.

## TARIFF REVISION.

Speaker Cannon predicts that an honest revision of the tariff is to be expected. Mr. A. B. Cummins, the newly-elected Senator of Iowa, is among those who favour revision.—N. C. D. News.

## THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:—On the 1st at 11.15 a.m.—The barometer has risen over China, particularly along the Yangtze. It has fallen considerably in Japan and slightly over the Philippines. A depression lies off the E. coast of Hokkaido, and pressure is again low over the S. Philippines. A high pressure area lies over China to the North of the Yangtze. Gradients are steeper and barometer with prevail in the Formosa Channel and off the part of the China Sea. Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 1.00 inches. JOINT STATE.—Hongkong and Shanghai.—N. to N.E. wind, strong; cloudy, some rain. 2.—Formosa Channel. S.W. wind, strong; a gale. 3.—South coast of China between Formosa and Luzon. S.W. wind, strong; a gale. 4.—North coast of China between Formosa and Japan. S.W. wind, strong; a gale. 5.—Hokkaido. S.W. wind, strong; a gale. 6.—Japan. S.W. wind, strong; a gale. 7.—Philippines. S.W. wind, strong; a gale. 8.—S. Philippines. S.W. wind, strong; a gale. 9.—S. Philippines. S.W. wind, strong; a gale. 10.—S. Philippines. S.W. wind, strong; a gale.



## Telegrams.

[Reuter's.]

## The United States Navy on the Yangtze.

LONDON, 29th November. Two United States vessels have been ordered from Manila to the Yangtze to replace two which have recently left.

## Spain—Funeral of the Japanese Minister.

The funeral of the late Japanese Minister to Spain took place at San Sebastian yesterday.

The late Minister's wife starts for Japan shortly.

## The United States and Japan.

Washington reports that, in spite of official reticence, it is stated on trustworthy authority, that a Japan-American agreement has been concluded based on the idea of encouraging and defending the free and peaceful commercial development of the Pacific, guaranteeing each other's territories, a mutual pledge to support the independence of China, and equal commercial opportunity to all nations there.

If the status quo, as above defined, be threatened, the two Powers are to communicate with each other and arrange measures deemed to be useful.

## Austria and the Near East.

An official statement from Belgrade says, reports from Cetinje state that 22,000 Austrians, on the Montenegrin frontier, believing themselves cut off, panicked and fled precipitately, abandoning a portion of their munitions and artillery.

Two Generals have been cashiered in consequence.

Liter.

## The Reported Panic of Austrian Troops.

The reported panic of Austrian troops on the Montenegrin frontier is absolutely denied in Vienna.

The rumour is solely based on the removal of Austrian baggage inland, owing to a possible attack on it by the Montenegrins.

## The Near East.

Montenegro has handed the representatives of the Powers at Cetinje a memorandum demanding the cessation of Spigga from Austria. At the same time Montenegro will not forego her claims for other compensations.

## The Japan-American Agreement.

The German paper *The Nord Deutsche*, welcomes with sincere satisfaction the Japan-American Agreement, which it considers increases the guarantees for the maintenance of peace in the Far East, in a similar manner to the Anglo-German Agreement of 1902, and the Franco-Japanese Agreement of 1907.

## Italy.

The King has received the new Japanese Ambassador and the Chinese Minister, both of whom have presented their credentials.

## "SELLING A PIG."

SCENE IN QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

While a district watchman was on duty along Queen's Road West last night he heard cries of "I'm not going; I won't be sold like a pig," and, turning round sharply, he saw two men struggling in the middle of the road. On making the necessary inquiries the district watchman was told a story which justified him in placing under arrest a man named Li Sing, who was arraigned in the Police Court, to-day, charged with bringing a youth into this Colony for immigration purposes.

Wing Wong Kwan was the lad's name, and according to our information he earned a living in Canton by selling congee. A few days ago Li Sing took passage for that port, and meeting the boy, invited him to come to Hongkong, where, he said, a better living could be made. Wing consented to accompany him, and a day or two ago saw both of them promenading about the streets of Hongkong. By some means another little Wing learnt that his alleged benefactor had brought him to Hongkong purposely to have him shipped to the Straits Settlements, where he would be sold to a dealer, & he *la chu chit*. He waited his chance, and last night while out for a walk created the uproar as given above.

Li Sing denied the charge, and the case was adjourned.

## SHIPPING AND MAILES

MAILS DEPT.

Canadian (*Montezuma*) 2nd inst.  
German (*Bulwer*) 3rd inst.  
Indian (*Gregory*) 4th inst.  
American (*Monckton*) 5th inst.  
German (*Prinz Walther*) 6th inst.

The C. P. R. Co's s.s. *Empress of Japan* arrived at Vancouver on 27th ult.  
The N. G. I. s.s. *Ichika* left Singapore for this port this morning, and may be expected here on 7th inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Hakata Maru*, European Line, left for this port via Shanghai on 30th ult., and is expected here on 7th inst.  
The N. Y. K. s.s. *Yokohama Maru*, Bombay Line, left for this port via Colombo and Singapore on 30th ult., and is expected here on 7th inst.

The C. P. R. Co's s.s. *Empress of China* arrived at Shanghai at 5:30 a.m. on 1st inst., and leaves again at 4 p.m. same day, for Nagasaki, where she is due to arrive at 6 a.m. on 3rd inst.

The M. M. Co's s.s. *Ernest Simons*, with the French mail of the 10th ult., and mails from London of the 7th ult., left Singapore yesterday at 4 a.m., and may be expected to arrive on 7th inst. morning, and will leave for Shanghai and Japan on the same afternoon.

## CANTON DAY BY DAY.

PATROL CRUISERS COMPLETED.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 28th November.

The four shallow draft cruisers built in Hongkong have been completed and delivered to the Canton Provincial Government, and they are now about to be detailed to the West River for patrol service. The River is divided into four sections. The *Kiang Ta* will cruise between Wuchow and Tak Hing, the *Kiang Kai* between Tak Hing and Shiu Hing, the *Kiang Kung* between Shiu Hing and Tai Ping Sha, and the *Kiang Ku* between Tai Ping Sha and Tung Sai Ma Ning.

## PEOPLE RUN RIOT.

With reference to the report that a monk was arrested the other day by the police in Fatsah for obtaining money from the ignorant villagers by pretending that he was able to bring fortune to the people and drive away the devils from them, and that he was afterwards brought to Canton to be dealt with, yesterday, a crowd numbering over a thousand people, most of whom were women, collected at the Police station and demanded of the police officials the monk's release. The police were unable to disperse the gathering, with the result that the force attempted to open fire at the people. Matters became serious and the gates of the different streets were therefore shut. The authorities earnestly persuaded the people to return to their homes, but instead of quieting down the people threw stones at and wrecked the police station. The officials were obliged to give orders to arrest some of the people, but had to release them owing to the overwhelming number of the mob, who attempted to attack even the officials themselves. Urgent telegrams were therefore sent to Canton asking the High Authorities for instructions how to deal with the case. This morning Admiral Li Chup was instructed by the Viceroy to proceed to the spot with several hundred soldiers on board five Government steam launches to restore order.

## ANTI-OPIMUM MEASURES.

The Canton Official Anti-Opium Refuge has recently promulgated the following regulations for the control of the applicants:—1. Applicants are to first register their names at the asylum. 2. Every applicant must have a satisfactory guarantor before anti-opium pills can be given him. 3. Every applicant must sign an agreement that he will not take any opium in the future. (On any breach of this rule, the offender will be severely punished and the guarantor concerned will be made to pay ten times the cost of pills issued.) 4. Every applicant has to provide a small book in which the name, address and occupation are to be recorded, together with the amount of his daily allowance of opium. Such a book has to be chopped at the asylum and on presentation of the book, pills will be distributed to the holder. 5. Anti-opium pills are to be distributed once every five days. 6. In case a smoker suffers any sickness arising from his giving up the drug, he should report himself at the Refuge where he will be attended to by the official doctors without any charge. 7. Every Sunday a smoker is required to present himself to be examined at the Refuge.

## TRAIN ACCIDENT.

On the 26th instant a train, returning to Fatsah from Sainam, while passing near Tong Shao, knocked down a man and ran over his left leg. The wound is of a serious nature and there is no hope for the man's recovery.

30th November.

## THE NEW EMPEROR.

H. E. Viceroy Chang Jen Chun has been in receipt of a telegram from Peking announcing that the new Chinese Emperor, whose reign is styled Hsuan Tung, will ascend the Throne on the 9th day of this moon (2nd December). The Viceroy has now accordingly issued a proclamation to inform the public to the above effect, commanding all officials, civil and military, to assemble at the Imperial Temple on that day in ordinary official dress, together with the local gentry and the people to perform ceremonial rites before the Imperial Tablet. Mourning, however, will be resumed on the following day.

The Viceroy has also been in receipt of a telegram from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs informing him of the accession of the New Emperor Hsuan Tung on the 9th day of this moon, and that ordinary official dress should be worn on that day by all officials in case of receiving foreign officials who may come to congratulate them on this occasion.

## DISTURBANCE ON A STEAMER.

This morning the steamer *Fatshan* arrived here with the news of a sad occurrence of an alleged murder that has taken place on board while coming from Hongkong. The story states that when one of the ticket collectors came round to collect tickets on the deck, he noticed that one of the passengers was lying asleep and in order to wake him up to pay his fare, the officer struck the passenger on the head with his fingers with no intention of hurting him. On finding that the passenger would not budge, the officer gave the passenger a vigorous kick, which accidentally burst his ribs on the right side. Both wounds are said to be fatal, but the last one proved to be more serious than the first, as declared by the other passengers. A few hours later, the foundered man expired before the steamer's arrival at Canton. All the native passengers on board at the time of the incident were in confusion and tried to attack the alleged murderer, but fortunately no serious consequences followed as was at first feared. The passengers, while still on board the steamer, agreed to sign a joint petition to the officials on their arrival at Canton, and to make a representation to the Self-Government Society and the Red Cross Society reporting the occurrence. Considerable excitement has prevailed this morning among the Chinese here, who crowded in large numbers outside the wharf. It was not till half-past two o'clock that the Kwangchow Prefect and the Nantoh Magistrate arrived on board the

steamer where they made an inquest on the deceased's body together with the Captain, a foreign doctor and others. So far as it is ascertained, no marks were found on the body which might have caused the death. Fortunately, the gates of the wharf were closed, otherwise the people would have gone up the steamer and further trouble might have ensued. The natives are now thinking to boycott the steamer *Fatshan*, but this remains to be seen.

## BUYING A SEWING MACHINE.

INSTALMENT PLAN AND DOUBLE CONTRACTS.

A very interesting action having reference to the sale of a sewing machine on the hire system was told in the Supreme Court, this forenoon. The Singer Sewing Machine Company sued S. Eskieli, of 6, Ice House Road, to recover the sum of \$45, being the balance for a machine sold and delivered to the defendant, at the time he was connected with the Carlton House.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing appeared for the plaintiff firm, while Mr. J. H. Gardiner acted for the defendant. Mr. A. E. Parker, the manager of the plaintiff firm, stated that on the 11th June last he sold defendant a hand machine. The agreement entered into was that if 150 were paid before five months the machine became the defendant's property, otherwise the price would be \$70. It was also agreed that the money should be paid by monthly instalments of \$10. The defendant had only paid \$25 on account, leaving a balance of \$45.

Cross-examined—I put it to you that you have received \$30 for this machine?—Yes. Not \$25?—Yes.

Five dollars were paid to you on the day the writ was served?—Yes. As a matter of fact we only received \$45 as the defendant said the shroff owed him a dollar for cigarettes.

On the day you alleged the machine was sold, was it in the Colony?—No.

And you issued your writ before the expiry of the five months?—Yes.

I put it to you that the arrangement was that he should pay you \$10 a month and \$5 a month?—Yes—the alternative contract is this: If \$50.40 was paid within five months the machine was his. Isn't that so?—Yes.

The Court—Why that forty cents? Mr. Gardiner—That was the price of the machine.

(Proceeding)—The period for this machine expired in November?—Yes.

So that in October after the payment of \$5 there was a balance of \$50.40 due?—Yes.

There was no cause of action at the time you issued the writ according to the alternative contract?—I think so.

The "alternative contract," as it was called, read that if paid within five months the machine would cost \$50.40. The "other contract" was that if it was not paid for within five months the price was to be \$70.

In re-examination, the witness stated that on a certain date he received a letter from the defendant saying that the machine was not in the Colony; that it was with the Bandmann Opera Company, and that he would be responsible for its return. The machine belonged to the plaintiff firm and it was an "act of charity" on their part that they reduced the price of the machine for defendant. The plaintiff firm had the right to take back the machine and sue for the balance if the price of it was not paid before the time.

The Court—When the writ was issued had the time elapsed?—Yes.

Mr. Kong Sing—No. We are suing in arrears.

Mr. Gardiner—They do not know what they are suing for.

Mr. Kong Sing—We can't do business that way. It wouldn't be fair for the company to allow the time to expire and then accept \$50.40 when the customer pleased to pay.

The "compradore" of the plaintiff firm spoke of entering into the contract with the defendant. The machine was not sent to "one of the Bandmann Opera Company" by direction of the defendant. The latter took delivery of the machine himself. Some time later the defendant told witness that he could get back the machine by applying to the Carlton House, where some members of the Bandmann's were living; witness sent somebody to take delivery, but as defendant could not be found, delivery could not be obtained.

The defendant deposed that in March last he obtained a sewing machine from the plaintiffs for the use of one of the ladies of the Bandmann Opera Company. Witness paid two instalments. On payment of the second instalment he told plaintiff's compradore to take the machine back, which they did not do. The next thing he heard was that the machine had not been returned and the plaintiffs claimed the full price. The machine, witness learned later, got mixed up in the luggage of the Bandmann's and was taken away. In consequence of this defendant entered into the contracts, which were made out by the compradore. The agreement was that he should pay two instalments of \$5 a month, or if defendant "could make good" he would only have to pay \$50.40. He had already paid \$30.

Mr. Kong Sing—You paid \$30 down?—Yes. And you failed on the \$5 instalments?—Yes. On two monthly instalments?—Yes.

I think you've been here for debt before?—No.

You were lodged at the Victoria Gaol, were you not?—Yes, I sued Goldenberg.

And you were imprisoned for neglecting to pay?—Yes.

Was that the only occasion you were in gaol?—Yes.

Did you tell Mr. Parker that you got the machine for a Bandmann girl?—Yes; but she was paying for it.

She was paying for it? If she was paying for it why did you enter into the agreement?—I did it for her.

The case was adjourned until Friday morning, Mr. Justice Gompertz remarking that he would like to consider the point regarding the two contracts—the bigger and the smaller one.

## A THIRD PARTY ACTION.

MONEY LOAN ASSOCIATION CLAIM.

The perplexities of a Chinese Money Loan Association were explained to Mr. Justice Gompertz, who presided in the Summary Jurisdiction Court, this forenoon, in a garnishee issue, which came on for trial.

Not so very long ago, the reader will recollect, Tsang Kam, the proprietor of the Mao Hing Loong firm, of 105, Des Vaux Road Central, sued and obtained judgment (by default) against Li Lai Tong, a trader, of 21, Wing Lok Street, who was sued for \$316.67, the balance of seven instalments of a certain money loan association. The question as to whether Li Lai Tong (the original defendant) satisfied the claim is not what we have to deal with, and as a matter of fact it was not mentioned during the trial. The case in point was to recover from an alleged garnishee (Kwok Fook) the sum claimed from Li Lai Tong in the original action, as it was alleged that Kwok Fook was indebted to Li Lai Tong in a certain sum, and consequently the plaintiff was entitled to recover Li Lai Tong's debt from him.

Mr. E. Davidson, of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, represented the plaintiff. Mr. Otto Kong Sing was for the garnishee.

It was stated in the plaintiff's cause that judgment was given in his favour for \$316.67 and costs against Li Lai Tong. The ground of action was that the plaintiff was a member of a money loan association, of which the defendant (Li Lai Tong) was the promoter. The original claim was for instalments paid by the plaintiff to the defendant as a member of this association, in regard to which he was never entitled to draw any money. The history of the association was then gone into by Mr. Davidson, and we confess that it is beyond our comprehension. He said that the association started some seven months ago, with ten members. It was a \$50 a month association. Every month a drawing was held, "and any member who bid the best rate of interest for the month" entitled him to the amount subscribed by the rest of the members. Each member paid \$50 to the "lucky" "guesser," less the interest named by the drawer, "who was entitled to repay the lot."

To all the plaintiff paid \$316 and he sued the defendant, when the association was closed, to recover his share and obtained judgment by default. The defendant did not deny liability.

The garnishee (Kwok Fook) was also a member, and he contributed to the association for six months. At a recent meeting he tendered \$34.40, the highest rate tendered, and he got the draw. According to the regulation he was liable to pay every month \$50, but he only paid one instalment, consequently he was indebted to the defendant in the sum of \$150, which the plaintiff was claiming.

The garnishee denied owing the defendant anything, and called witnesses to substantiate his statement.

Mr. Justice Gompertz gave judgment in favour of the garnishee with costs. It was held by his Lordship that the judgment creditor had not made out his case.

## GUILTY CONSCIENCE.

POLICEMAN'S GUNSHOT RIDE REFUSED.

A coolie in charge of a first class ricksha approached Policeman Atwell, who was on duty in Coo-naught Road last night.

Said he: "Wanchee 'sha?" The officer answered in the negative, and motioned the coolie away.

"Can do, massa," the coolie went on, paying no notice to the officer's reply; "can do, ricksha."

The persistency of the man aroused the policeman's suspicions, and he was ordered to produce his ricksha licence.

"No got paper, master," replied the coolie. "Along why I wanchee take, you one ride."

The policeman makes take coolie lock-up. Coolie make pay the dollar Plecco Court this morning.

## SHOOTING.

NO 1 COY. H. K. V. A.

The first shoot for the "Plummer Cup," held by the above Company, took place at the Tai Hang range on the 29th ult. with an attendance of thirteen members; the firing took place under most trying winds, which account for the poor scores; the three best of which including handicap were made by

Gunner Hay ..... 39 points  
Sergt. Seth ..... 31 points  
Gunner Yates ..... 31 points

who were also spoon winners.

## COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.

London—Bank T.T. .... 18 1/2  
Do. demand ..... 1/8 3/16  
Do. 4 months' sight ..... 8 1/16  
Banco—Bank T.T. .... 2 1/16  
America—Bank T.T. .... 40 1/2  
Germany—Bank T.T. .... 7 1/2  
India T.T. .... 20 1/2  
Do. demand ..... 12 1/2  
Hongkong—Bank T.T. .... 7 1/2  
Singapore—Bank T.T. per H.K. \$100 ..... 7 1/2  
Japan—Bank T.T. .... 8 1/2  
Java—Bank T.T. .... 11 1/2

Buying.

1 months' sight L/C ..... 8 7/16  
3 months' sight L/C ..... 1/8 3/16  
3 days' sight San Francisco & New York ..... 4 1/2  
4 months' sight do. .... 4 1/2  
30 days' sight Sydney & Melbourne ..... 8 1/16  
4 months' sight France ..... 1 1/2  
6 months' sight do. .... 1 1/2  
4 months' sight Germany ..... 7 1/2  
Bar Silver ..... 23 5/16  
Bank of England rate ..... 2 1/2  
Sovereigns ..... 11 1/2

## To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on

MONDAY and TUESDAY,

the 21st and 22nd December, 1908, at 10 A.M., at H.M. Naval Establishments,

SUNDRY OLD and SURPLUS NAVAL and VICTUALLING STORES,

Comprising—

OLD and SURPLUS NAVAL STORES:—

Iron Blocks, Hoops, Lamps and Lanterns,

Tools, Old Iron and Metal, Electric Cables,

Old Boilers, Steam Hammer, Coal Sacks,

Canvas Bags, Old India-Rubber Old Leathers,

Carpets, Mattings, Old Boats, Furniture, &amp;c.

OLD and SURPLUS VICTUALLING STORES:—

Provisions, Seamen's Clothing,

Blankets, Officer's Mess Traps, (A quantity of

Electro-plated Articles), Implements, Seamen's

Mess Utensils, Oak Staves, &amp;c.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.

HUGHES &amp; HOUGH,

Government Auctioneers,

Hongkong, 1st December, 1908. [10]6

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE

AND MOJI.

THE Steamship

"JAPAN"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their

Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed

at Consignees' risk and expense into the

baratrous and/or extra baratrous godowns of

the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and God-

owns Co., Limited.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the

Undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON &amp; Co., LIMITED,

Agents.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1908. [10]7

## SOUTH CHINA FLOODS.

MACAO RELIEF CONTRIBUTIONS.

The official statements of accounts of monies

collected by the Santa Casa de Misericordia

of Macao in aid of the South China Flood

Relief Funds are as follows:—

Receipts.

Amounts subscribed ..... \$6,766.77

Premium on Macao and Hongkong ..... 357.23

Bank notes ..... 859.00

Net receipts of two performances ..... 805.00

Total ..... \$7,828.00

Payment.

By remittance through the Portuguese

Consul at Canton ..... \$7,929.00

SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

Government of Macao ..... \$5,000.00

Appropriation from the Poor Box ..... 500.00

Santa Casa de Misericordia of Macao ..... 300.00

St. Joseph's Seminary ..... 100.00

St. Catharine's Chapter ..... 50.00

Privates of the Artillery Corps ..... 15.37

Mrs. Anna Theresa Pereira ..... 25.00

H. E. the Acting Governor, Francisco

Diogo de Sa ..... 100.00

Rt. Rev. Bishop Joao Paulino d'Almeida

de Castro ..... 100.00

Antonio d'Oliveira Madarte ..... 100.00

A. H. Wilzer ..... 80.00

Capt. Eduardo Cyrillo Lourenço ..... 50.00

Antonio P. de Miranda Guedes ..... 20.00

Dr. Americo G. Botelho de Souza ..... 20.00

Carlos A. da Rocha Assumpção ..... 20.00

Fernando Colle de Meneses ..... 20.00

Dr. Francisco Xavier Pereira ..... 20.00

Dr. Joao Marques Vidal ..... 20.00

Miguel Rodrigues Morgado ..... 20.00

Pedro Telles Athayde ..... 20.00

Alfredo Arthur de Magalhães ..... 10.00

Capt. Annibal Augusto Sanchez de

Miranda ..... 10.00

Captain Damiao Martins Pereira de

Menezes ..... 10.00

Dr. Evaristo d'Espectaculo Pinheiro

d'Almeida ..... 10.00

Colonel Fernando Joao Rodrigues ..... 10.00











## SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. E. S. KADOORIE & Co. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

| STOCKS.                                                                              | NO. OF<br>SHARES.  | VALUE.        | PAID UP.     | POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT.                                                     |                        | LAST DIVIDEND.                                                                            | APPROXIMATE<br>REVENUE AT<br>PRESENT<br>QUOTATION.<br>BASED ON LAST<br>YEAR'S DATA. | CLOSING<br>QUOTATIONS.             |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
|                                                                                      |                    |               |              | RESERVE                                                                          | AT WORKING<br>ACCOUNT. |                                                                                           |                                                                                     |                                    |
| BANKS.                                                                               |                    |               |              |                                                                                  |                        |                                                                                           |                                                                                     |                                    |
| Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation .....                                        | 120,000            | \$125         | \$125        | {<br>£1,500,000<br>\$14,000,000<br>\$250,000                                     | \$2,005,774            | {Interim of £s for first half year @ 4%<br>1/91 = \$21.942                                | 5 1/2 %                                                                             | {£845 buyers<br>{London £8.10      |
| National Bank of China, Limited .....                                                | 99,925             | £7            | £6           | {<br>£4,000<br>\$150,000                                                         | \$10,323               | \$2 (London 3/6) for 1903                                                                 | ...                                                                                 | \$50                               |
| MARINE INSURANCES.                                                                   |                    |               |              |                                                                                  |                        |                                                                                           |                                                                                     |                                    |
| Ganton Insurance Office, Limited .....                                               | 10,000             | \$250         | \$50         | {<br>\$1,500,000<br>\$333,757<br>\$411,990                                       | none                   | \$14 for 10 7                                                                             | 7 1/2 %                                                                             | \$190 buyers                       |
| North China Insurance Company, Limited .....                                         | 10,000             | £15           | £5           | {<br>Tls. 125,000<br>Tls. 150,000<br>Tls. 303,747<br>Tls. 118,277                | Tls. 162,512           | Final of 7/6 making 15/- for 1907                                                         | 6 %                                                                                 | Tls. 90 buyers                     |
| Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited. ....                                     | 12,400             | \$250         | \$100        | {<br>\$3,000,000<br>\$500,000<br>\$500,478<br>\$120,005<br>\$227,649             | \$2,506,011            | {Final of \$15 making \$45 for 1906 and}<br>Interim of \$30 for 1907                      | 5 1/2 %                                                                             | \$800 buyers                       |
| Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited .....                                         | 12,000             | \$100         | \$60         | {<br>\$1,000,000<br>\$100,032<br>\$85,157                                        | \$591,763              | \$12 and bonus \$3 for 1906                                                               | 9 %                                                                                 | \$167 1/2                          |
| FIRE INSURANCES.                                                                     |                    |               |              |                                                                                  |                        |                                                                                           |                                                                                     |                                    |
| China Fire Insurance Company, Limited .....                                          | 10,000             | \$100         | \$10         | {<br>\$1,000,000<br>\$246,097<br>\$13,802                                        | \$374,432              | \$6 and bonus \$2 for 1906                                                                | 8 %                                                                                 | \$101 buyers                       |
| Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited .....                                       | 8,000              | \$250         | \$50         | {<br>\$1,500,000<br>\$13,802                                                     | \$428,027              | \$27 for 1906                                                                             | 8 %                                                                                 | \$130                              |
| SHIPPING.                                                                            |                    |               |              |                                                                                  |                        |                                                                                           |                                                                                     |                                    |
| China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited.....                                     | 10,000             | \$25          | \$25         | {<br>\$7,000                                                                     | \$1,035                | \$1 for 1906                                                                              | ...                                                                                 | \$14                               |
| Douglas Steamship Company, Limited .....                                             | 10,000             | \$50          | \$50         | {<br>\$264,638<br>\$99,067                                                       | Nil.                   | \$2 1/2 for year ending 30.6.1908                                                         | 7 1/2 %                                                                             | \$33 buyers                        |
| Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd. ...                                     | 80,000             | \$15          | \$15         | {<br>\$210,000<br>\$287,500<br>\$81,766                                          | \$27,755               | \$1 1/2 for first half-year ending 30.6.08                                                | 7 1/2 %                                                                             | \$29 buyers                        |
| Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred) ...                                | 60,000             | £5            | £5           | {<br>\$17,955<br>£10,000<br>\$240,000                                            | £13,755                | {6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @ 1/2<br>ex 1/9 11/16 = \$3.154                   | 5 1/2 %                                                                             | {£37<br>\$17                       |
| Do. (Deferred) .....                                                                 | 60,000             |               |              | {<br>£10,000<br>\$20,000                                                         |                        |                                                                                           |                                                                                     |                                    |
| Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited.....                                       | 200,000            | Tls. 50       | Tls. 50      | {<br>Tls. 75,000<br>£7,000                                                       | Tls. 14,510            | Interim of Tls. 1 1/2 for account 1908                                                    | 7 1/2 %                                                                             | {Tls. 44 buyers<br>Tls. 52 sellers |
| "Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited.....                                  | 1,000,000          | £1            | £1           | {<br>£20,000<br>£20,000                                                          | £64,817                | {Final of 1/- making 3/- for 1907 and in-<br>terim of 1/- (No. 10) for a/c 1908           | 7 1/2 %                                                                             | {Tls. 44 buyers<br>Tls. 52 sellers |
| "Star" Ferry Company, Limited.....                                                   | {10,000<br>10,000} | {£10<br>\$10} | {£10<br>\$5} | {<br>£5,000<br>\$47,231                                                          | {<br>\$6<br>\$68}      | {£1.00 for year ending 30.4.1908<br>\$0.50                                                | {4 1/2 %<br>3 1/2 %}                                                                | {<br>\$34<br>\$15}                 |
| Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited .....                                          | 10,000             | Tls. 50       | Tls. 50      | {<br>Tls. 140,000<br>Tls. 609,355<br>Tls. 100,000<br>Tls. 110,000<br>Tls. 17,142 | Tls. 6,869             | Final of Tls. 2 1/2 making Tls. 5 for 1907                                                | 11 %                                                                                | Tls. 45 sellers                    |
| REFINERIES.                                                                          |                    |               |              |                                                                                  |                        |                                                                                           |                                                                                     |                                    |
| China Sugar Refining Company, Limited .....                                          | 20,000             | \$100         | \$100        | {<br>\$32,538                                                                    | Dr. \$279,371          | \$8 for year ending 31.12.07                                                              | ...                                                                                 | \$12 1/2                           |
| Luxco Sugar Refining Company, Limited .....                                          | 7,000              | \$100         | \$100        | {<br>\$50,000<br>\$50,000                                                        | Dr. \$135,132          | \$1.40-1807                                                                               | ...                                                                                 | \$10 sellers                       |
| Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited .....                                       | 7,000              | Tls. 50       | Tls. 50      | {<br>none                                                                        | Tls. 5,173             | Tls. 4 (8 %) for year ending 31.6.06                                                      | ...                                                                                 | Tls. 90 buyers                     |
| MINING.                                                                              |                    |               |              |                                                                                  |                        |                                                                                           |                                                                                     |                                    |
| Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.....                                     | 1,000,000          | £1            | £1           | {<br>£17,000                                                                     | £11,556                | {Final of 1/6 (coupon No. 11) for year end-<br>ing 29.2.08                                | 7 1/2 %                                                                             | Tls. 15 1/2 buyers                 |
| Rub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited {                                        | {50,000<br>50,000} | {£1<br>£1}    | {£10<br>£1}  | {<br>£12,289<br>£4,878                                                           | Dr. £2,191             | No. 1, 11, 11 = 48 cents                                                                  | ...                                                                                 | \$7 1/2                            |
| DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.                                                            |                    |               |              |                                                                                  |                        |                                                                                           |                                                                                     |                                    |
| Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited .....                                                  | 18,000             | \$25          | \$25         | {<br>\$53,601                                                                    | \$3,726                | \$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06                                                           | ...                                                                                 | \$18                               |
| Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. ...                                    | 60,000             | \$50          | \$50         | {<br>£50,000<br>\$26,806                                                         | \$8,556                | Final of \$1 1/2 making \$3 1/2 for 1907                                                  | 7 1/2 %                                                                             | \$45                               |
| Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd. ....                                         | 50,000             | \$50          | \$50         | {<br>£50,000<br>\$26,197                                                         | \$84,847               | Interim of \$4 for account 1907                                                           | 8 1/2 %                                                                             | \$92 sellers                       |
| Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd. ....                                         | 55,700             | Tls. 100      | Tls. 100     | {<br>£50,000<br>\$1,000,000                                                      | Tls. 33,742            | {Final of Tls. 2 1/2 making in all Tls. 5 for<br>year ending 30.4.08                      | 6 1/2 %                                                                             | Tls. 72 buyers                     |
| Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited ...                                      | 36,000             | Tls. 100      | Tls. 100     | {<br>Tls. 607,357<br>Tls. 75,000<br>Tls. 135,000}                                | Tls. 22,666            | Interim of Tls. 4 for account 1908                                                        | 5 1/2 %                                                                             | Tls. 143 sellers                   |
| LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.                                                           |                    |               |              |                                                                                  |                        |                                                                                           |                                                                                     |                                    |
| Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd. ....                                          | 25,000             | Tls. 100      | Tls. 100     |                                                                                  | Tls. 6,531             | Tls. 6 for 1907                                                                           | 6 %                                                                                 | Tls. 100                           |
| Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai) ...                                    | 10,000             | \$25          | \$25         | Tls. 25,000                                                                      | Dr. £4,200             | \$2 1/2 for year ending 30.6.07                                                           | ...                                                                                 | \$16                               |
| Central Stores, Limited .....                                                        | 50,123             | \$15          | \$15         | {<br>\$50,000<br>\$1,000                                                         | 30,178                 | \$1.60 for 1906                                                                           | ...                                                                                 | \$12 buyers                        |
| Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited .....                                                | 12,000             | \$50          | \$50         | {<br>\$1,000<br>\$648,975                                                        | \$14,639               | Interim of \$3 for account 1908                                                           | 7 1/2 %                                                                             | \$80 buyers                        |
| Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd. ...                                    | 50,000             | \$100         | \$100        | {<br>\$25,000<br>\$25,000                                                        | \$36,915               | Interim of \$3 1/2 for account 1908                                                       | 7 1/2 %                                                                             | \$93 sellers                       |
| Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited ...                                      | 150,000            | \$10          | \$10         | {<br>\$250,000<br>\$217,436                                                      | \$4,681                | 70 cents for 1907                                                                         | 7 1/2 %                                                                             | \$94                               |
| Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited .....                                     | 6,000              | \$50          | \$50         | {<br>\$50,000                                                                    | 683                    | \$1 1/2 for 1907                                                                          | 6 1/2 %                                                                             | \$30 buyers                        |
| Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited .....                                      | 78,000             | Tls. 50       | Tls. 50      | {<br>Tls. 1,523,045<br>Tls. 170,000                                              | Tls. 107,547           | Interim of Tls. 3 for account 1908                                                        | 7 %                                                                                 | Tls. 116 1/2 buyers                |
| West Point Building Company, Limited .....                                           | 12,500             | \$50          | \$50         | {<br>none                                                                        | \$1,541                | Interim of \$2 for account 1908                                                           | 9 %                                                                                 | \$46                               |
| COTTON MILLS.                                                                        |                    |               |              |                                                                                  |                        |                                                                                           |                                                                                     |                                    |
| Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.....                                    | 15,000             | Tls. 50       | Tls. 50      | {<br>Tls. 150,000                                                                | Tls. 8,807             | Tls. 2 1/2 for year ended 31.10.1907                                                      | 3 1/2 %                                                                             | Tls. 67 sales                      |
| Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing<br>Company, Limited .....               | 125,000            | \$10          | \$10         | {<br>Tls. 45,939<br>\$20,000                                                     | \$9,553                | 50 cents for year ending 31.7.08                                                          | 4 1/2 %                                                                             | Tls. 67 sellers                    |
| International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd. ...                                 | 10,000             | Tls. 75       | Tls. 75      | {<br>Tls. 150,000                                                                | Tls. 85,510            | Tls. 6 for year ended 30.9.06 (8 %)                                                       | ...                                                                                 | Tls. 56 buyers                     |
| Lao-tung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.                                     | 8,000              | Tls. 100      | Tls. 100     | {<br>none                                                                        | Tls. 6,308             | Tls. 8 for 1906                                                                           | ...                                                                                 | Tls. 72 1/2 sellers                |
| Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited.....                                       | 1,000              | Tls. 500      | Tls. 500     | {<br>Tls. 26,257                                                                 | Tls. 50,063            | Tls. 50 for 1907                                                                          | ...                                                                                 | Tls. 240 buyers                    |
| MISCELLANEOUS.                                                                       |                    |               |              |                                                                                  |                        |                                                                                           |                                                                                     |                                    |
| Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited .....                                        | 8,694              | 12/6          | 12/6         |                                                                                  |                        | 1.10¢ per share for 1907 = \$1.037                                                        | 12 1/2 %                                                                            | 18 buyers                          |
| China Borneo Company, Limited .....                                                  | 60,000             | \$12          | \$12         | {<br>£1,500                                                                      | £648                   | \$1.20 for 1907                                                                           | 11 1/2 %                                                                            | \$11                               |
| China Light and Power Company, Limited .....                                         | 50,000             | \$10          | \$10         | {<br>\$25,000                                                                    | Nil.                   | 60 cents for year ended 28.2.06                                                           | ...                                                                                 | \$5 1/2                            |
| Do. special shares .....                                                             | 150,000            | \$1           | \$1          | {<br>none                                                                        | 61,138                 | 80 cents for 1907                                                                         | 8 1/2 %                                                                             | \$9 1/2 buyers                     |
| China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd. ...                                    | 125,000            | \$10          | \$10         | {<br>none                                                                        | 3,598                  |                                                                                           | ...                                                                                 |                                    |
| Dairy Farm Company, Limited .....                                                    | 25,000             | \$7 1/2       | \$6          | {<br>\$120,000<br>\$8,000                                                        | \$48                   | \$1.50 for year ending 31.7.08                                                            | 5 1/2 %                                                                             | \$12 1/2                           |
| Green Island Cement Company, Limited .....                                           | 400,000            | \$10          | \$10         | {<br>\$10,000                                                                    | \$251                  | Interim of 40 cents for account 1908                                                      | 10 %                                                                                | \$10                               |
| H. Price & Company, Limited .....                                                    | 12,000             | \$10          | \$10         | {<br>\$12,000                                                                    | \$5,078                | 75 cents for 9 months ending 31.12.07                                                     | 8 %                                                                                 | \$12 buyers                        |
| Hall & Holtz, Limited .....                                                          | 21,000             | \$20          | \$20         | {<br>\$5,000                                                                     | \$251                  | \$2 for year ending 28.2.08                                                               | 10 %                                                                                | \$20 1/2 buyers                    |
| Hongkong Electric Company, Limited .....                                             | 60,000             | \$10          | \$10         | {<br>\$186,000                                                                   | 18,957                 | \$1 and bonus 20 cts. for year ending 29.2.08                                             | 6 1/2 %                                                                             | \$18 buyers                        |
| Hongkong Ice Company, Limited .....                                                  | 5,000              | \$25          | \$25         | {<br>none                                                                        | \$9,321                | Interim of \$4 for account 1907                                                           | 8 1/2 %                                                                             | \$230 sellers                      |
| Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd. ....                                       | 60,000             | \$10          | \$10         | {<br>\$120,000                                                                   | \$4,578                | Interim of \$1 for account 1908                                                           | 8 %                                                                                 | \$4                                |
| Maatschappij tot Mijn- Bosch en Landbouwer-<br>exploitatie in Langkat, Limited ..... | 25,000             | Gs. 100       | Gs. 100      | {<br>none                                                                        | \$8,191                | Interim of Tls. 10 for 3rd quarter                                                        | 5 1/2 %                                                                             | Tls. 900 sales                     |
| Peak Tramways Company, Limited .....                                                 | 25,000             | \$10          | \$10         | {<br>Tls. 547,500<br>Tls. 27,603                                                 | Tls. 27,127            | {80 cents on fully paid shares and 6 cents on<br>\$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.08  | 4 1/2 %                                                                             | {<br>\$14<br>\$8                   |
| Peak Tramways Company (new) .....                                                    | 50,000             | \$10          | \$10         | {<br>\$5,000                                                                     | \$7,471                |                                                                                           | ...                                                                                 | \$8                                |
| Philippine Company, Limited .....                                                    | 75,000             | \$10          | \$10         | {<br>none                                                                        | Nil.                   | None                                                                                      | ...                                                                                 |                                    |
| Shanghai Gas Company, Limited .....                                                  | 24,000             | Tls. 50       | Tls. 50      | {<br>Tls. 100,000                                                                | Tls. 6,603             | Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 7 1/2 for 1907                                                | 6 1/2 %                                                                             | Tls. 116 1/2                       |
| Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited .....                                      | 30,000             | Tls. 20       | Tls. 20      | {<br>Tls. 24,820<br>Tls. 75,000                                                  | Tls. 8,493             | Final of Tls. 9 making in all Tls. 14 for 1907                                            | 11 %                                                                                | Tls. 120 1/2 sellers               |
| Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited .....                                           | 16,850             | £20           | £20          | {<br>Tls. 190,000                                                                | Tls. 58,133            | Final of 37/6 making 52/6 for 1907                                                        | ...                                                                                 | Tls. 410                           |
| South China Morning Post, Limited .....                                              | 6,000              | \$25          | \$25         | {<br>\$1                                                                         | Dr. \$90,237           | None                                                                                      | ...                                                                                 | \$25 buyers                        |
| Steam Laundry Company, Limited .....                                                 | 20,000             | \$5           | \$5          | {<br>none                                                                        | \$436                  | 40 cents for year ending 31.5.8                                                           | 8 %                                                                                 | \$5                                |
| Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited .....                                           | 1,000              | Tls. 100      | Tls. 100     | {<br>Tls. 15,295                                                                 | Tls. 201               | Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 30.4.07                                                        | 5 %                                                                                 | Tls. 94 buyers                     |
| Union Waterboat Company, Limited .....                                               | 50,000             | \$10          | \$10         | {<br>Tls. 4,000                                                                  | \$111                  | 50 cents for 1907                                                                         | ...                                                                                 | \$10                               |
| United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited .....                                       | 10,000             | \$10          | \$10         | {<br>none                                                                        |                        | {80 cents on 9,000 old shares and \$19.80 on<br>100 Founders' shares for yr. end. 31.5.07 | 6 1/2 %                                                                             | \$29 buyers                        |
| Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited .....                                                 | 90,000             | \$10          | \$10         | {<br>\$35,000                                                                    | \$1,360                | Interim of 50 cents a/c 1908                                                              | 6 1/2 %                                                                             | \$9 buyers ex div                  |
| William Powell, Limited .....                                                        | 15,000             | \$7           | \$7          | {<br>\$300,000<br>\$25,000<br>none                                               | \$6,418<br>\$3.95      | {Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts. for the<br>year ended 30th June, 1906                    | ...                                                                                 | \$4                                |
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